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LOCAL JOTTINGS

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Van Tighem, Sunday, July 1st, a son.

Dan Cupid is a busy little fellow these days, despite the hot weather, and the bells are likely to ring fast and furious in the future.

Mr. W. Langstroth, has now taken over the management of the King Edward Hotel. We wish him success in his new venture.

The new telephone exchange is the first brick veneer building in town and adds quite an appearance to our prosperous little burg.

Mr. H. W. Wood, President of the U.F.A., was unable to give an address at the Methodist Church on Sunday, owing to his having been called to Ottawa.

What with the hot weather, the tinkling of cow bells, the howling of the numerous species of dogs and the yelling of the baby, a fellow finds it pretty hard to get to sleep these nights.

"Blest be the tie that binds," softly sang a fellow townsman as he crept out in the chilly night air and proceeded to "strafe" his dog (said dog being tied up) with a rawhide for disturbing his slumbers.

The Lake is now filling up again. Soon we shall all be down taking a plunge. The Park Superintendent has not yet given out the required form of dress for this year, but we understand he has received numerous designs—With and without.

We regret to report that Clifford Way is again in hospital. A telegram to the effect that he was in hospital suffering from gas poisoning was received on Friday. This makes the third time that Clifford has been on the casualty list.

The Pantry Sale held by the Anglican Church Guild on Saturday was a success, the sum of \$50 being realized, made up as follows:—Proceeds of Pantry Sale, \$45; By commissions received from sale of "Modern Priscilla," per Miss D. Hinckley, \$5.

Anglers and others beware. A heavy penalty is in waiting for those who "trap, shoot, spear, net, or otherwise injure or destroy" the fish in the Park Lake. From what we have seen of the lake the disciples of Isaac Walton who fish in the lake will be something like the disciples of old, who toiled all night and caught nothing.

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Belgian Day, July 21st. Your help's earnestly requested.

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The name of Private H. Weir appeared in the casualty list last week.

The Anglican Church Guild met at the home of Mrs. Reeves on Tuesday evening.

The Strathmore Detachment of the Provincial Police has been removed to Gleichen, and the police barracks are now closed.

G. Frank Butler was elected District Deputy Grand Master at the Masonic Festival held recently in Banff. He held his first official visit to the Strathmore Lodge on Monday evening.

—When you motor on Sunday any other day, call for your refreshments in Ice Cream or Sodas; Soft Drinks or 2 per cent on ice, at the Bakery, the place the Ladies prefer.

On Sunday next, July 15th at 7:30 p.m., Rev. W. F. Gold will preach in the Methodist Church. Mr. Gold is a minister in the Presbyterian Church and was formerly Secretary of the Temperance and Moral Reform League of Alberta, but is now Government Inspector for the Enforcement of the Liquor Act, and he makes this visit to Strathmore in his official capacity. He will have something interesting to say.

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It is with deep regret we announce the death of Mrs. William Risdon, which took place on Friday last. The deceased leaves a husband and a little boy to mourn her loss. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon from the Anglican Church and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends. The service was conducted by Canon Hall. We feel sure the residents of this community will join with us in extending to the bereaved husband our deepest sympathy in his sad loss.

In driving through the countryside, one is struck with the great growth that the grain has made during the past week. The sight of endless stretches of green crops waving in the breeze makes one feel that the farmers of this country are playing a great part in the war by increasing the production. In this part of the Province we have had just sufficient rain to make the crops go ahead, and now the warm weather has arrived the growth is tremendous. Prospects are that this district will see a bumper crop.

The Red Cross Cash Campaign resulted in the sum of \$191 being collected. A full list of contributors will appear in our next issue.

Namaka Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Aitken are rejoicing on the birth of a son.

The proceeds from the past social and dance, held under the auspices of the U.F.W.A. amounted to \$110. This is distributed as follows:—Belgian Relief Fund, \$50; St. Dunstan's Home (per Mrs. Sydney Houston, Calgary) \$50; Hall rent, \$10.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lawrie, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hedges, Mr. and Mrs. P. Morgan and Messrs. R. Bigger, and McBean were Fair visitors during the week.

We wonder who got the bigger scare at the Fair—the lady who went on a trip to the moon, or the gentlemen who motored eight blocks on the way home, and then suddenly turned and went back to Calgary, purchased that ring we've been looking for so long. Anyway the painters were busy during his absence.

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EVERY darlin' daughter of Eve will want to go in for a swim when she sees how the bathing suits and accessories for this season are the very embodiment of smartness. At least, if she doesn't care to go in the water, she will be wild to join the beach parade.

There is a noticeable use of rubber for bathing suits. Just how it is used as trimming is evidenced in the gray suit with a blue sailor collar of rubber. A panel of the rubber also breaks the monotony of the skirt. The long bloomers, which make the knees look for all the world as tho they were bandaged, are a feature to be observed, since they form a part of many new suits.

The use of moire ribbon on the bathing costumes is out of the

ordinary. In this instance yellow ribbon is used effectively on green taffeta. This silk, by the way, is very much in favor for water costumes. Of course, it is rubberized, and therefore will stand the water test. Whether it's to preserve symmetry, to give comfort or to be coquettish, one can't tell, but, anyhow, the way the ribbon is drawn beneath the chin and tied in a bow atop the cap is mighty pleasing.

Something quite new is the rubber skirt that completes a skirt that had its beginning in gray jersey. For comfort the bloomers are of jersey, and for fashionable reasons the cap is too. Only the rolled brim is of rubber.

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Terrific Hailstorm Visits this District

Crops Totally Destroyed. Loss Estimated at Hun- dreds of Thousands

A terrific hailstorm struck the district north-east of town on Tuesday night. The storm covered a wide district and destroyed everything standing. The crops in the district were looking remarkably well in places where the grain was commencing to head out. Everything pointed to a bumper crop. In fifteen minutes the whole countryside was devastated. What were promising fields of waving grain were now nothing but a ruin. The loss to the farmers of this district alone will amount to thousands of dollars. We append a list of the crops destroyed, which were available at the time of going to press:

Name	Barley	Wheat	Oats
A. Barrett	15	81	105
A. Haines	15	105	185
H. Kent	15	110	180
Love	5	30	40
J. D. North	10	30	40
E. Gillingswater	10	30	40
T. A. Cummings	10	110	90
A. Wrayes	10	110	20
Van Bussick	10	110	20
Long	10	110	20
Van Bavel	100	20	20
J. Wright	100	20	20
J. A. Campbell	100	20	20
H. Vanderpool	25	40	14
H. Dewitt	11	72	45
G. Dwell	210	11	72
S. White	210	11	72
T. Sallies	6	28	15
A. Werban	10	30	15
For	10	30	15
D. Sullivan	10	30	15

The figures represent one hundred acres, and with one or two exceptions are less than 100 per cent. The above is only a partial list, but our readers will be able to obtain some idea of the loss to this district.

Musings in the Mud.

By Sergt J. Mackenzie

Rational Reflections

So much for mud! The next reflection is on—Diet.

Included in the equipment of every Tommy is an appetite. It is of a large size and made of cast-iron. Those who do not know what an appetite is should go to France and get on. It is not a Government issue—in fact some quartermasters affect to believe that there is no such thing, or, if it does exist, that it is not worth worrying about.

However that may be, every soldier has one, and the individual Tommy endeavours to see to it that, unlike some other articles of equipment, it receives the best possible attention.

In France the appetite has its wants catered to by, among others, the following articles—Bread, meat, vegetables, cheese, jam, margarine, pickles, tea, hard tack and bully beef. These last two mysteries are mentioned last on the list, but often obtrude themselves first.

Army bread is good bread. It is better than the present home product. The only trouble is that there is not always enough of it though the A.S.C. do their best. When there is not, the deficiency is made good by "hard tack," otherwise known as Army Biscuit. I prefer the first name. It is more truthful and more expressive. I do not know what "tack" means, but I know from experience what "hard means. There are various degrees of hardness. Some biscuits can be bitten into by a Tommy with good working jaws and molars. Other varieties have to be broken by hand or by some metal implement. If stepped in hot water or tea it may be softened somewhat. It is said to have been used at one time for paving dugout steps, and it makes good firewood. However, if the Q.M. catches you burning it, you won't do so again.

Meat comes in various forms—mainly as "mulligan." Mulligan is not good meat, or "M'Conochy." In any case, it is satisfying, if it is warm and not too greasy. That is up to the cook. Mulligan may be beef or mutton, with probably potatoes, turnips, or any other vegetables that comes handy, in it. Bacon and beans is about the tastiest meal of the lot. Beans are usually plentiful. Mostly they come canned. After we eat them we give the Germans beans. They encourage the fighting spirit.

There is a story told of a Tommy taking his home-leave in a remote part of Scotland. While there he encountered a leanevel-looking old gentleman, who plied him with questions regarding happenings on the Western Front. The old gentleman then remarked "I'm doing my bit, too." Tommy, somewhat astonished, asked "How's that?" "Oh, I'm M'Conochy." History does not record the soldier's answer "M'Conochy," for the benefit of the uninitiated, is canned mulligan. It is alright, if it does not come up too often. Then it palls.

Beef comes in yet another form "Bully." Like M'Conochy, it is all right, if not overdone. I am not referring to cooking, but to frequency of appearance. Some men eat it when fresh meat is not available. "Bully" is canned corn.

Cheese is one article of diet that is supplied in sufficient quantity, and the quality is good. The margarine and the jam are up to standard, better than they were at one time. The only trouble about the jam is that sometimes the variety is not varied enough. Rather Irish, perhaps, that sentence.

Pickles, figs, dates, chestnuts, etc., figure on the ration occasionally, and are always welcome. If you wish to supplement the ration further you can buy some extras in a Y.M.C.A. or Soldiers' Institute or be robbed on a French estaminet.

Tea is served twice a day. Chlorine does not figure officially on the ration, but is thrown in with the tea, or it is suspected sometimes into. The suspicion arises from the varying strength of the doses.

It is a surprising thing that when out with a bunch on your own you can make better tasting tea in an old gasoline can, without milk or sugar, than ever come from any cookhouse up the Western Front. Taken in all, the ration is all right. Men out in France do not lose much weight. If they do it is made up in muscle. They grouse about the rations all the time, but that is only natural and healthy. From rations we pass, by a natural and healthy, from rations we pass, by a natural transition, to—Luxuries.

Rum and Tobacco

There is not much to say on this subject. Tobacco is one. Every week's issue is of a different variety and if you don't get the tobacco you like one week you may get it the next. Cigarettes are of various brands, but the peculiar thing is they are brands never heard of before. They are sometimes called "Whizz-bangs," because they go so fast. Afro-mo and Life's Rays

were among the minor horrors of war at one time, but have now been supplanted by Oro, Volunteer and other high-sounding packets. Cigars do not figure on the list. German smokers then and the aroma wafted across Mr. Man's Land has been sometimes mistaken for poison gas.

Parcels from home are the greatest luxury of all, and the most coveted. One has lots of friends until the contents are exhausted. Unpleasantness arises sometimes when a parcel of perishable food is delayed in transit. The recipient on opening it usually utters some choicest remarks about the contents in the incinerator. Usually however, parcels come O.K.

Rum is more of a necessity than a luxury. It comes in jars marked S.R.D., and figures in very small quantities—hardly an eye-filling parcel. Small though it is, its rival is always headed with smiles that would break a Prohibitionist's heart—that it is he has one. The only people who do not get a regular rum ration are sergeant-majors and Q.M.'s. They handle "the rum stuff," and are, therefore, content with the small oil. Ask any Tommy and he will bear me out in this. The pleasant glow sometimes worn by these non-coms after the issue of a rum ration is merely the glow of conscious rectitude.

BASEBALL

Those old rivals, Cheadie and Strathmore, met again on the ball diamond on Friday evening last at Cheadie, and once again Cheadie were the winners. The Strathmore team were not at full strength but nevertheless, they put up a good fight and when the game was called at the end of the seventh inning to darkness the score was 11 to 9 in favor of Cheadie. Quite a number went up from here and practically all Cheadie turned out to see the visitors "scalped."

The Cheadie fans are right there, even the ladies made themselves heard in a time in no unimpeachable manner. After the game supper was served in the hall, and after the boys had got through the tables were cleared away and dancing was kept up till the wee sma' 'cows of the morning. A return game will be played at Strathmore on Wednesday, July 18th, at 6 o'clock when the local team hope to win the tables. The following is the score:

Cheadie, 11; Strathmore, 9. Mr. Merchison, officiated as umpire in a manner that please everybody. Want of practice showed up a great many tups in the visiting team. Kaiser pitched a good game and got himself of one or two difficult situations in good style.

Rural Municipality Hold Meeting

A meeting of the R.M. of Bow Valley was held on Saturday, there being present: Reeve A. Watson, Councillors Green, Lanrie, Skeue and Lausen and the Secretary, W. G. Way.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The committee on the appeal at Namaka reported investigating a party for a crossing. Councillor Green moved that the Secretary write the C.P.R. explaining conditions and asking if the Company would be willing to grant the Municipality the privilege of entering that right of way at the Stockyards on the S.W. side of the track so that ratepayers could get to either the stockyards or elevators from the road secured from G. Lane, leading to S.E.

The Secretary reported on the conference with the Department at Edmonton, when the question of the proposed bridge over the Bow River at Carlsland was taken up. A meeting of the ratepayers at Carlsland in connection with the matter was held on June 26th and the following resolution passed: Moved by Councillor Green that the Council endorse the resolution with regard to the proposed bridge and that the Secretary forward a copy of the same to the Department of Public Works at Edmonton. A By Law empowering the

Council to enter upon the N.W. ¼ of Sec 24, T. 24, R. 25, W. 4th, for the purpose of constructing a drain to lower the water in the slough and thus prevent the destruction of the road, was read and carried.

A Bylaw for the purpose of having the road diverted between the S.W. ¼ of Sec 15, 24, 26, W. 5th and S.E. ¼ of Sec 16, 24, 26, W. 4th was passed.

Mr. Skeue was granted a further \$100 to fix the road between Sec 16 and 17 and 20 and 21 in T. 24, R. 26 W. 4th.

Bills and accounts as read were ordered to be paid.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again on Saturday, August 4th at 1:30.

Irrigation Convention

The 11th Annual Convention of the Western Canada Irrigation Association which is to be held at Maple Creek, Sask., August 1, 2 and 3, promises to be of more than ordinary interest. The Convention is being given lots of publicity of the kind to attract irrigators and those interested. There reached this office last week the first of a series of three post cards announcing the Convention. The title of the card was "The Old Irrigation System and the New" and depicted a number of men idly bar irrigating their throats with "something with a kick," and new system showed a farmer irrigating his land. Something like 2000 of those cards are being mailed to irrigators in Western Canada. Full particulars regarding the Convention may be had from Mr. Robert Stead, Acting Secretary, Western Canada Irrigation Association, P.O. Box 1317, Calgary.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

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News From Baintree

Baintree, Alberta.

Well, we are back again and on our old job of promoting, and knocking. We have not got a hammer, but a sledge, and we propose to swing it at every opportunity, and on the slightest provocation. So we warn all neighboring towns, and would be towns to beware! Perhaps the many readers of the Standard have wondered why our sudden disappearance more than one year ago, during which time the world has been in ignorance of the happenings at one of the most beautiful townships in Canada. No, we did not join the overseas force and bear our breast to the German gunners. Far from it; you will recall it was because the time Canada began talking Conscription, so we took down our "Webster's Unabridged" and looked the word up, and we concluded Canada was no place for a good strong, able bodied man around thirty years of age, so we emigrated. We are a coward. We don't deny it, we have no yellow streak. We are yellow clear through; we are not conscientiously opposed to war. Oh no, we are sure the Germans ought to be whipped, but let brave, country looking, loyal men go whip them. Don't ask us to. Why, if we were in the trenches and guns should begin to crack and roar it would get on our nerves to such an extent we would be unable to sleep well at night. So for that and personal reasons too numerous to mention, we fled across to Uncle Samuel's country because he said he was too proud to fight. Gee! when we got over there we were not proud? Why, we just swelled up with pride and felt as safe as a cinnamon bear in the heart of the Rocky Mountains; that is, we did for about a year. That was along in April of this year when Uncle Samuel suddenly lost all his pride, and he not only was not too proud to fight, but went right out looking for trouble. We don't know exactly what caused the change, but it is generally understood he was gambling in food stuffs and the Kaiser organ cornering the market by taking all that was offered and storing it in his big granaries somewhere out on the Atlantic Ocean. That angered Uncle Sam, so he began looking round for a flint rock to fire his old musket and went to work on his rusty sword with a whet rock, at the same time ordering Ben Franklin to ring the old Liberty Bell. Well, Ben rang her, and our Uncle Samuel demanded some five hundred thousand of the best young men of the country to get ready to follow him across the briny deep. You see, I was one of that number and they ordered that I put my name on

a slip of paper and put it in Uncle Sam's old stove pipe hat and let some kid draw out the names of the names of the ones who were to go. Gee whizz, Maria! I stood no chance at all in that kind of a deal, because I've been in numerous drawings all the way from a coffee grinder to a quarter section of Indian reservation that uncle had taken away from the Redskins and was dividing up among his boys. In these cases the first number don't win. My name was always found sticking fast to the swab band of the hat about a week after the drawing. But in the soldier business the first names out lose because they have to go. So the yellow on my back began to take on a brighter hue, and the cold chills to creep up my spine, and I felt sure I was in for a long spell of malaria, so I concluded a dryer climate was better for me, and here I am again; and oh, I feel so much better, because "miserly love company" you know, and on account of most of the brave, loyal men of Canada having enlisted and gone overseas, many of them never to return, I found the percentage of "ancient and modern society of yellow-backed cowards," greater in Canada than in the domain of Uncle Samuel, and the chances of being Conscriptioned much less, if I see yellow-backs can delay Conscription long enough and demand a vote of the people on the question and then delay the election until enough of the boys are killed off at the front, we can outvote what few others there will be left and thus defeat the aims of those who would tear us away from the bosom of our family and from the chance to raise high priced grain and stock, make big profits on merchandise and high salaries for our labor. So all you anti-conscriptionists—get busy, fall in line and join the glorious order of Yellowbacks, for if you are anti-Conscriptionist, you are just as cowardly and yellow as I am, and I am so yellow that the juvies would show white on me, and so are you. We hope this will offend no one.

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